

Business Meeting

The monthly business meeting will be held today following morning worship. This is an important function of the congregation and all the men are encouraged to attend.

Make Eternal Life Your Goal

By Larry Miles

One of the benefits of living the Christian life is that we can look with anticipation to being with our Heavenly Father and our Lord Jesus, along with the Holy Spirit for eternity. Eternal life is for the faithful!

We must realize that man was created with the ability to choose between good and evil. Christ came that we might have life. He came to give us a richer life in Him! Praise God that He loves us so much! Live for Him who died for you. Make choices spiritually that will lead to Eternal Life!

Calendar

Nov. 5—Bible Study 10 am—Dale

Nov. 5—Worship 11 am & 6 pm

Speaker: Tom

Nov. 5—Business Meeting

Nov. 5—Daylight Savings Time ends

Nov. 5—a. Ron & Pat

Nov. 8—Bible Study 7 pm

Nov. 8—b. Debbie

Nov. 11—b. Ben

Nov. 11—b. Danielle

Nov. 11—b. Pat

Nov. 12—Bible Study 10 am—Dale

Nov. 12—Worship 11 am & 6 pm

Speaker: Tom

Nov. 12—Potluck

Nov. 15—Bible Study 7 pm

Nov. 19—Bible Study 10 am—Dale

Nov. 19—Worship 11 am & 6 pm

Answer to the Puzzle:

Hidden Phrase: The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom

To err is human. To blame somebody else for it is even more human.

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Schedule of Services:

Worship Services

Sunday: 11:00 a.m.

and 6:00 p.m.

Bible Study

Sunday: 10:00 a.m.

Wednesday: 7:00 p.m.

Chardon Church of Christ

Church Bulletin

Sunday

November 5, 2017

The Bushido Code

By Ron Thomas

The Bushido code is a code of the Samurai warrior. It is a code that speaks to honor, loyalty, courage, compassion, veracity and respect of life (www.aikido-world.com), a philosophy of Zen Buddhism. It is easy to see the virtues of the code instilled in those taught. A great problem exists, however. It is from a philosophy of life that has no ultimate purpose for when life is over. It's a philosophy that seeks moral guidance and discipline without God.

Consider the following questions. What reason is there for a person to exhibit courage in life when exhibiting that courage has no benefit when life is over? The same question can be asked for all the moral qualities taught. In fact, what is the underlying foundation for the moral code? Is it the generated philosophy of one man, or men?

The thoughts above came to me after I read an article in the Columbus Dispatch wherein a man in the community is doing much good instilling confidence and discipline in the lives of young people (6.7.2017, Section B:1-2, "Karate Kids"). There is no way to minimize the impact of his work; neither should one try. The value of his work is only limited to this life.

Teaching morals is imperative in our society where immoral standards are certainly the norm. The morality that is taught, it is reasonable to ask, is based on what? Is it based on God, or not God? These are the only two options known to man. If the moral foundation is based on the philosophy or thinking of man, then for what purpose should I or any other person seek to implement it in my life? To whom am I accountable?

If someone comes along and speaks against the virtue of courage as actually immoral, on what basis can I say he is wrong? Do I count noses (that is, how many people agree with me, compared to how many agree with him)? What about compassion — why should I be compassionate?

On the other hand, if the moral foundation has at its base (or foundation) in God, then that means I am held to a higher standard, I am accountable to God. The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom: and the knowledge of the holy is understanding (Proverbs 9:10, KJV). The contrast is clear: one can fear man, learn a moral discipline, even the warrior code, but still in the end, end up with nothing beneficial when this life is over. Compare this approach with the approach to the Lord, and how we should fear/respect Him, the Creator of life.

Ron Thomas preacher for the Sunrush Church of Christ, Chillicothe, OH

Sunday Worship Services, Nov. 5, 2017

Greetings and Announcements. ,Tom
 Song Leader. Myron
 Hymn Stand Up For Jesus—227
 Opening Prayer. (Please Stand). Robert
 Hymn Sowing The Seeds of the Kingdom—507
 Scripture Reading (Proverbs 9:7-12). Ryan
 Hymn. From The Garden to the Cross—312
 Lord's Supper Mark & Ron
 Hymn. Hold The Fort—234
 Sermon. Tom
 Invitational Hymn (Please Stand) God Is Calling the Prodigal—596
 Hymn. I Shall Not Be Moved—573
 Closing Prayer. (Please Stand) Ray

Prayer List

- *Ryan was not feeling well last week.
- *Mark's daughter, Amy, is being treated for a mass on her forehead.
- *Myron and Carole are out of town for a few weeks.
- *Linda's address is on the bulletin board in back. She is now at home recovering from a broken leg.
- *Tom & Nina's son-in-law, Chris, is looking for work.
- *Dale's mother and 2 cousins.
- *Juanita, her sons, Dale and Ron and her daughter Debbie.
- *Ron, Pat, and their great grandson Bryan..
- *Ray, Rebecca, and Steven.
- *Ruth and her brother George.
- *Our Congregation
- *Our Nation & Our Veterans.

Things to Remember
Chardon Website:
Chardonchurchofchrist.org
Business Meeting is held the 1st Sunday of each month following morning worship.
Potluck Luncheon is held the 2nd Sunday of each month following morning worship.
 The link to **Gospel Broadcasting Network** is www.gbntv.org.
Church of Christ Radio can be listened to at 880 WRFD. Information for the bulletin should be sent before Friday of each week. Call Mark or Nina or use e-mail address: Church_of_Christ@roadrunner.com

Wisdom

Proverbs 9:7-12

ADDED	ALONE	BEAR	CORRECTS
DAYS	GETS	GIVE	HARMS
HATE	HIMSELF	HOLY	INCREASE
INSTRUCTION	JUST	KNOWLEDGE	LEARNING
LEST	LIFE	LOVE	MULTIPLIED
ONLY	REBUKE	REBUKES	SCOFFER
SHAME	STILL	TEACH	UNDERSTANDING
WICKED	WILL	WISER	YEARS
YOURSELF			

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